

State Board for Crane Operators Minutes of the April 4, 2012, Meeting

Members Present: Edward St. John; Richard DeJulio; Edward Shapiro

Also Attending: Elliot Henowitz, State Crane Inspector; David D'Ostillo, IUOE Local 478; Larry Sima, CT Water Well Assoc.; Bob McCormack, CT Water Well Assoc.; Jermich Weid, CT Water Well Assoc.; Kevin Kopetz, Dept. Construction Services Attorney

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m.
2. Minutes of the March 7, 2012, meeting were distributed and approved with the addition of an added note for New Business Item C states that cranes equipped with any manbaskets will have the crane operator at the crane's controls at all times.
3. Old Business:

The Crane Board continued their discussion on the statutory changes involving Chapter 539 (cranes and hoisting equipment) of the General Statutes of Connecticut. Dates will be coming as to the process of the submitted statutory changes. It was noted that changes and details were occurring to correct crane bill no. 323.
4. New Business:
 - A. Violation Agreements reached: none.
 - B. The Crane Board reviewed a crane violation involving United Concrete Products of Wallingford, Connecticut. The Board discussed the situation involving the concrete manufacturing operating outside of their plant. The Crane Board made a motion to authorize to discuss and allow United Concrete Products to come into compliance by August 1, 2012. This motion was approved by the Crane Board to allow United Concrete of Wallingford to come into compliance with respect to its crane operation by August 1, 2012. –Tabled until the April meeting.
 - C. Review of new applicants for crane testing – compliance with two year prerequisite – tabled.
 - D. The Crane Board met with contractors in the Wates/Well drilling industries to discuss the proposed effect of crane bill no. 323 and the existing crane and hoisting laws in effect.
 - E. The Crane Board held a discussion on possibly allowing existing holders of valid crane operators licenses to downgrade to hoisting operator licenses. The discussion was tabled.
5. Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.